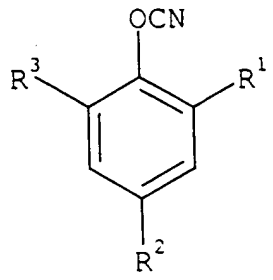
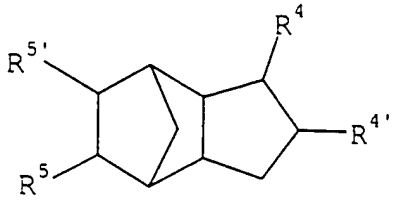
ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The unsaturated oligophenol cyanates of the general formula (I) $[A-]_n[B-A-]_xB[-A]_m$ in which A is a group of formula:



and B is a group of formula:



where R^1, R^2 and R^3 are each hydrogen or a bond with a group B, there being either one or two bonds with group B; and both R^4 and $R^{4'}$ as well as R^5 and $R^{5'}$ separately or jointly represent a direct bond or hydrogen and a bond with a group A, there being either one or two bonds with A. The indices *m* and *n* are 0 or 1 but not both 1 at the same time and *x* is a whole number between 0 and 10, where at least one of the numbers, *m*, *n* and *x* is not 0. The unsaturated oligophenol cyanates can be prepared by reacting the corresponding oligophenols with cyanogen chloride. The have a low viscosity and owing to their double bonds are able to undergo free-radical polymerization. They are

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